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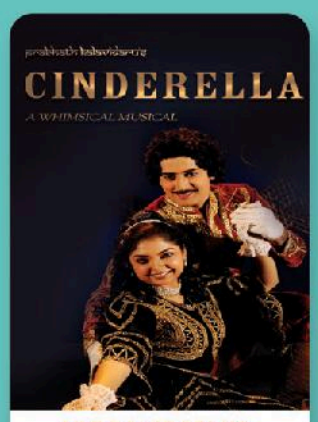

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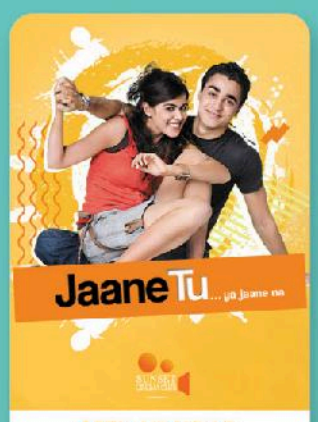
9th December



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10th December

LIVE POP MUSIC
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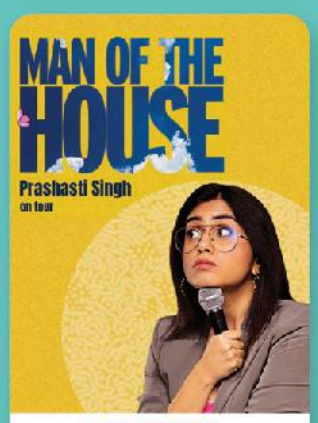

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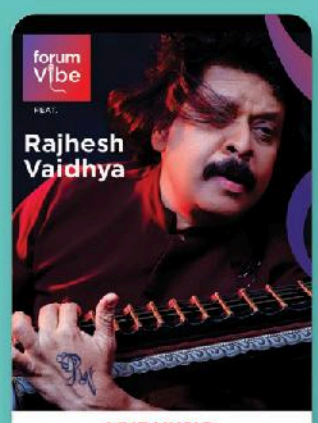

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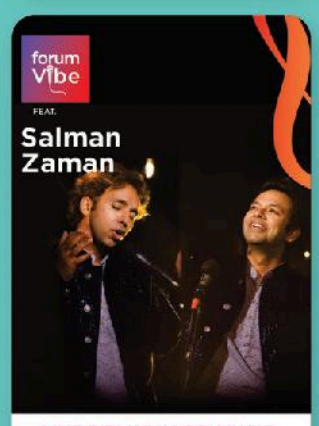

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Protest demanding Advocates (Protection) Act

National Lok Adalat hit as city advocates boycott Court

Judges waiting for litigants and their advocates.

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (GA,BLU&BS)- The fourth National Lok Adalat, organised at the New and Old Court Complexes in the city, was totally disrupted due to the indefinite protest of advocates by boycotting the proceedings, entering its second day today. The Judges had assembled for the Lok Adalat, so also the litigants hoping to find a solution for their legal battle, that can be settled by mutual agreement at Lok Adalat, at New Court Complex at Malalavadi in Jayanagar and Old Court Complex on K.R. Boulevard, but the advocates stayed away from the proceedings.

(See LOK ADALAT on page 11)

MRC Member Apana Subaiya passes away

Apana Subaiya

Mysuru, Dec. 9- Pandanda Apana Subaiya (53), son of late Dr. Subaiya and a resident of Nakoor Bledfa Estate, Hardoor village, Suntikoppa, Kodagu, passed away yesterday, following a massive heart attack.

A coffee planter and a former Committee Member of Mysore Race Club (MRC), Apana Subaiya leaves behind his wife Yashika, son Nanjappa, daughter Dechamma and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Pandanda Cemetery at Stewart Hill in Madikeri this afternoon.

MRC, in a press release, has condoled the death of Pandanda Apana Subaiya.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 9th December 2023

Harikatha Kalakshepa

at Mysore Vasudevacharya's house

Mysuru, Dec. 9 - Srilalitha Uliyaru and Srihari Uliyaru, multi-talented siblings from Udupi district, will be presenting a "Harikatha Kalakshepa" at the house of Mysore Vasudevacharya in city, on Dec. 10 between 10.30 am and 12 noon.

They will be accompanied by Vid. Vasanna Achar on harmonium and Vid. M.R. Udayakumar on tabla.

Srihari will also be providing keyboard support for the performance. The Kalakshepa titled "Dasashreshtha Purandara Dasaru," is open to all art enthusiasts.

Srilalitha and Srihari, born in a family of artistes, have both been child prodigies. While Srilalitha has been presented with "Haridasa Deekshe" by the doyen of Harikatha Sri Bhadragiri Achuta Dasa at the age of eight, Srihari, now a student of 8th standard, has been featured on AIR and many other electronic media and is well-versed in tabla and keyboard.

Srilalitha Uliyaru *Srihari Uliyaru*

Srilalitha has performed over 300 Kalakshepas, including those in the temples of Tirupathi, Mantralaya and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram. Srihari has accompanied her in many of these programmes.

Vid. Vasanna Achar and Vid. M.R. Udayakumar are both senior performing artistes having accompanied leading performers in the fields of Harikathe, Rangageethe and Karnatak music respectively.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

It's an unusual take for a 76-year-old. Our elders are generally expected to promote early-to-bed, early-to-rise routines. But Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais wants school timings delayed because kids should get their full 'quota' of sleep, which gets shortened because they are up late with their smartphones. On sleep, the Governor is right. But his solution is wrong.

Sleep is essential, yes: ***Sleep deprivation impacts health, behaviour and academic achievement. The list of problems includes obesity, mental issues, irritability, depression, aggression and anxiety. A poor night's sleep leads to excessive daytime sleepiness, which can result in sleep disorders.***

How much sleep: ***Pre-teens, 6-12-year-olds are advised 9-11 hours of daily sleep. For teens, this is 8-10 hours. Given our homework-coaching institute burden, only a rare kid gets a full sleep. Add to that tech-enabled distractions via tablets, phones and laptops.***

Between going-to-bed & sleep: ***That late-night smartphone bingeing is harmful is a no-brainer. Excessive use of electronic devices at night disrupts sleep patterns. Health experts recommend that TVs, light-up toys, phones be removed from children's bedrooms to ensure a routine sleep cycle.***

Enter Facebook parents: ***It's not just selfies. Indian parents are among the most addicted to their smartphones. One cannot in all fairness blame children for being similarly hooked. Facebook parents, Insta kids and WhatsApp gramps are all tech-addicted. Kids won't stop net bingeing till parents kick their smartphone habits.***

Think of the traffic: ***Delaying school timings will trigger a tsunami of traffic. When the wave of morning school traffic breaks, the office wave begins its surge. Similarly for afternoons and evenings. To conflate officer-goers' and school-goers' timings would spell unimaginable road chaos.***

The goal should be to get kids to sleep on time at night. Not disrupt proven systems and surrender to tech-addiction.

— In The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man folds and throws paper plane in 6.15 seconds

Idaho: The Guinness World Record (GWR) for the fastest time to fold and throw a paper plane was broken by an Idaho man who achieved the feat with a time of 6.15 seconds.

The record-keeping organisation issued a challenge to would-be title-holders to attempt to beat the previous record of 7 seconds and David Rush, who holds more than 250 Guinness World Records, took up the cause.

Rush said he practiced for two days before making an attempt on-camera, but after uploading his video he discovered another participant had beat his time.

He returned to the challenge in the evening and was able to cut his time down to 6.15 seconds, enough to win the challenge and earn the GWR title.

Woman finds opossum in her Christmas tree

Texas: A Texas woman had an early holiday surprise when she found an opossum hiding in the branches of her Christmas tree.

A video posted on social media shows the opossum hiding inside the adorned tree inside the woman's home.

She said she heard noises after arriving home from work, but initially thought they were coming from one of her three dogs or her cat. She eventually got up to investigate the sounds and saw a "long rat tail" sticking out from her tree.

The woman said the opossum, which she was able to carry outside, was not mean or aggressive during the encounter, just skittish.

HEALTH CAPSULE

The symptoms of urinary tract infection are burning in urine, frequent urination, passing blood in urine, lower abdomen pain associated with fever with chills.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T. P – Consultant – Urology & Andrology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Vedadri Sky Yoga and Meditation on Dec. 17

Mysuru, Dec. 9 - Mysore Brindavan Sky Trust, Mysuru, affiliated to World Community Service Centre (WCSC), has organised Vedadri Sky Yoga and Meditation in city on Dec. 17.

The event will be held from 10.30 am to 12 noon at Leela Channaiah Kalyana Mantap, next to Maharani's Commerce and Management College at Paduvarahalli. *Padma Shri* SKM. Maeilanandhan, President of The World Community Service Centre, will be the chief guest and deliver the spiritual address.

President of WCSC Karnataka Zone Sr. Prof. Dr. P. Dhanapathi and Vice-President (SMART) of WCSC Karnataka Zone Sr. Prof. Dr. Vijaya Dhanapathi will be the guests on the occasion.

Another award for city writer

Mysuru, Dec.9- Just days after she was conferred with the prestigious 'Amma' award by a Sedam-based (Kalaburagi district) Trust, city-based writer **Suchitra Hegde** has bagged another award given by Dharwad's Bhumi Pratishtana and Sattur's Aravala Pratishtana.

Suchitra's travelogue 'Jagava Suttuva Maaye' has been selected for 'Sahitya Puraskara.' Her travelogue was considered as the best among ten entries selected by the Pratishtana.

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Yesterday's level **96.44 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,274.01 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,833.93 feet**
Today's Inflow **865 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **181 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **194 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **1,583 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **50 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Female sharks have thicker skin.*
- *There are more than 500 different species of sharks.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A guy gets pulled over by a cop. The cop asks, "You're speeding! Didn't you see the speed limit sign?" The man replied, "Yeah I saw the speed limit sign, but I didn't see you!!"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.43
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 104.71
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.71
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.80

VOICE OF THE READER

Dangerous traffic rules violation

Sir,

Of late the new trend followed by the compulsive traffic rules violators are to drive and wait on the right hand side of the road meridian, against the on-coming vehicles when the signal is red.

As soon as the signal turns green, these habitual traffic rules violators are in a tearing hurry to drive past the vehicles waiting at the signal.

Most of these are either two-wheelers or autos and they cut across the moving traffic, towards the left hand-side of the road causing unwarranted tension for the motorists obeying the traffic rules.

This dangerous traffic rules violation is happening at almost all the road junctions and at the traffic signal lights, manned by the Traffic Police and also right in front of the Traffic Police Stations.

Unfortunately our Traffic Police have been ignoring this serious traffic rules violation. I request the City Police Commissioner to look into this.

—K. Chandrahas

Mysuru
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Governor launches 75th Foundation Day of Journalists Co-operative Society

Mysuru, Dec. 9- Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot launched the 75th Foundation Day celebrations of Karnataka Journalists Co-operative Society at Bengaluru recently.

Gehlot said that journalists are the fourth pillar of the Constitution and called upon the Society members to work further for the betterment of scribes.

Lauding them for working towards rendering justice to everyone in society, he said that this Co-operative Society seems to be the only one in the country which has been established for the welfare of journalists.

Society President Ramesh Palya apprised the Governor on the activities of the Society.

The Governor was presented with a portrait of his drawn by Cartoonist Gujjarappa and Senior Photographer Vishwanath Suvarna's pictorial book on Karnataka. Society Vice-President Doddabommaiah, Treasurer Mohan Kumar, Secretary Kemparaju, Directors M.S. Rajendrakumar, Vinod Kumar B. Nayak, Ramesh Hirejambur, Dhyan Poonacha, S. Nayana, N. Vanitha and P.S. Krishnakumar, Society staff Hemanth Kumar, Anita Jois, Anand and others were present.

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Mysore Medical College Centenary

My Memories - 1

Dr. Narasimhan

Mysore Medical College, now called as Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), will be celebrating its centenary in 2024. As part of the centenary year (2023-24), the Institute has been conducting various programmes including the just concluded month-long Medical Exhibition to create awareness about various branches of medicine and the importance of maintaining a good health. The valedictory of the centenary celebrations will be held in September 2024.

To commemorate the solemn occasion, here we publish a feature article by Dr. C.G. Narasimhan (CGN), Emeritus Surgeon, Kamakshi Hospital, Mysuru, on his Alma Mater (MMC). In this 3-part article, CGN shares his experience of those 10 years of student days spent in this institute both as an Under-Graduate (1957- 62) and as a Post-Graduate (1967-69). — **Ed**

By Dr. C.G. Narasimhan

Mysore Medical College (MMC) was first started in 1924 at Bangalore. Later in 1930 it was shifted to Mysore city at the behest of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar. MBBS degree of the College was recognised by the Medical Council of India (MCI) in 1933.

Earlier to 1924, there was a Mysore University Medical School at Bangalore giving a four-year diploma course - LMP (Licentiate Medical Practitioner). The admission to LMP course was after SSLC (now 10th std.) examination.

These LMP doctors were mainly posted to work in rural hospitals. Some took to private practice in towns and cities. They were very popular, almost like messengers of health, making home visits also. The LMP course was abolished in 1956. Those who passed out were allowed to get admitted to MMC for doing the degree course.

In 1950s there were only two Medical Colleges in the State of Karnataka (Mysore then) — one in Mysore and the other in Bangalore. At MMC the admission was merit based and also some by reservation. Bangalore Medical College (BMC) was the first private institution in Karnataka to be started with admission on donation in 1955.

Dr. R. Shivaram of 'Koravanji' Kannada magazine-fame and a few others were the Founders. Donation was the order of Rs.3,000, a huge amount in those days!

Before that, Manipal Medical College, then not belonging to Mysore State, was taking admission by donation. Later in 1958, Government took over the Bangalore Medical College and inter-college transfer of students from Bangalore to Mysore and vice-versa was allowed on student exchange basis which many could utilise. Though Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore, was started in 1953 it was also not in Karnataka State.

The third College in Karnataka was started at Hubli in 1957 where the admission was mostly to the North Karnataka students. So there was a keen competition for admission to Mysore and Bangalore Colleges in the State.

Present day 11th and 12th standards were called junior and senior intermediate classes after SSLC. CBZ and PCB (Biology) were the preferred combinations leading to Medical course, a few from PCM and after B.Sc, were also selected. Getting a percentage of 60 to 65 in the third part as it was called (CBZ or PCM) would ensure a seat in the Medical College which itself was a herculean task for the students to score.

With 64 percent, I was one among 100 to get admitted to Mysore Medical College in July 1957. **Unlike the present day four-and-a-half-years of medical course, ours was of five-and-a-half-years.** Before entering Medical College, we had a six-month Pre-Medical course which included advanced Botany, Zoology, Physics and Physical Chemistry at the Yuvaraja's College, Mysore.

We entered Mysore Medical College building in Jan. 1958

Dr. Y. Appaji

Prof. Puttaraj Urs

Dr. Doddanaranappa

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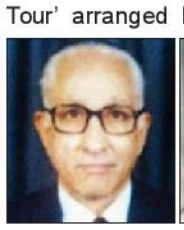
with Anatomy, Physiology and Organic Chemistry as the main subjects in the first two years. The first hurdle to cross was the second year examination which used to be in the month of December. With a very strict Home Examiner like Dr. Y. Appaji (Anatomy) passing the exam was not at all easy. There were a number of failures. It was like a first filter before entering third year which included all the clinical subjects at K.R. Hospital.

I do remember a few students discontinuing the course as they could not pass in the second year exam. Physiology was handled by Prof. B.V. Puttaraj Urs and Dr. S. Rama Rao.

The latter though didn't have a PG degree was an eloquent teacher. Biochemistry practical classes were ably handled by Dr. H.N. Doddanaranappa.

After the second year, the next filter used to be in the fourth year exam where we had to take Pathology, Bacteriology, Microbiology, Preventive and Social Medicine, Jurisprudence (Forensic Medicine) and Ophthalmology. A memorable event that used to happen during this period was the 'Hygiene Tour' arranged by the Department of Preventive and Social Medicine. We as a batch of 38 students were taken to visit the Vaccine Institute in Bangalore, Serum Institute and Army Medical College in Pune, the famous Haffkine Institute and Aarey Milk Colony and the TCF Pharma Factory at Bombay.



Dr. Govindappa

Seetha Ganapathy

Senior Lecturer Dr. M.G. Ranganna had accompanied us. It was great fun to go by the steam engine train and see these places. Final year of the 5-year course consisted the major clinical subjects — Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology. ENT, Paediatrics, Radiology and Orthopaedics were taught as minor subjects.

Out of the 100 students admitted in 1957, only 11 passed the final exam in December 1962 without any failure! This does not happen nowadays. Scoring 60 percent and getting first class in the final year was almost unheard of.

During our days, the first person to get first class was late Dr. M.V. Govindappa and after 5 years later it was my classmate Chendrimada Seetha Ganapathy. After passing the final exam, our housemanship was of one-year duration with 3-month each posting of Medical, Surgical in K.R. Hospital, Obstetrics and Gynaecology in Cheluvamba Hospital, another one month each in other Departments like ENT, Casualty, Anaesthesia.

[To be continued]

Suttur Jathra-2024 from Feb. 6 to 11

Registration open for mass marriage

Mysuru, Dec. 9- The Suttur Jathra Mahotsava-2024 of Adi Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara Shivayogi will be held in Suttur Srikshetra, Nanjangud taluk, from Feb. 6 to 11.

On Feb. 7, a free mass marriage has been organised as part of the Mahotsava. All sections of the society can participate in the ceremony. Mangalsutra, saree, blouse and toe rings for brides and Panche, Valli and Shirt pieces will be given free for bridegrooms.

The Mutt has made arrangement of '*Prasadam*' for friends and relatives of bride and bridegroom who attend the marriage. Accommodation will also be provided on the previous day of the wedding.

Those interested in entering into wedlock at the free mass marriage can obtain the prescribed applications and submit the filled in forms with address and other necessary documents before Jan. 25 at Jathra Mahotsava Office, Mysuru or register at JSS Administrative Office, Suttur.

For details and registration contact Convenors R. Kumaraswamy on Mob: 94486-74702 or Veerabhadraiah on 97413-42222 or C. Mahadevaprasad on 94490-30588.

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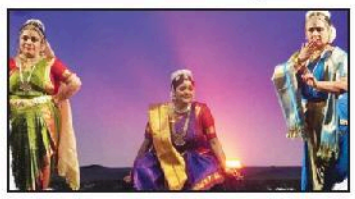

Mysuru, Dec. 9- Ganabharathi, Mysuru, has organised a Bharatanatyam programme under Aadya Ensemble on Dec. 11 (Monday) at 6 pm at its Ramagovind Kalavedike, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar.

Vidushi Sheela Chandrashekar and team will present the second edition of "Ramasathya" with a few masterpieces of Guru B. Bhanumati. This event is sponsored by H. N. Jagadeesh in memory of S R. Kumuda.

Actress Leelavathi passes away; leaves behind a lasting legacy

She had donned multiple roles as heroine, character actor and many more in her six-decade long career on big screen; last rites with Police honours at her farm in Soladevanahalli near Nelamangala later in the day

Actress Leelavathi

Bengaluru, Dec. 9 (Agencies)- Veteran Kannada film actress Leelavathi passed away after a brief illness at a private hospital in Nelamangala, Bengaluru Rural district, last evening. She was 85.

Leelavathi, who was suffering from age-related ailments for the past two months, was being treated by her family physician Dr. Vikas at her farm in Soladevanahalli near Nelamangala. Following a difficulty in breathing, she was rushed to a private hospital in Nelamangala where she breathed her last.

The mortal remains of Leelavathi was kept at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Stadium in Nelamangala this morning, before shifting to Ravindra Kalakshetra in Bengaluru to enable dignitaries from filmdom to pay their last respects to the departed soul.

CM Siddharamaiah, former CM B.S. Yediyurappa, actors Srinath, Malavika Avinash and several others paid their last respects.

Last rites will be performed at her farm in Soladevanahalli later in the day, with Police honours.

PROFILE

Multilingual actress Leelavathi, who passed away at the age of 85 yesterday, has left behind an enduring legacy, having entertained cine lovers in 600 films in her six decades long career in filmdom.

Born in the year 1938, Leelavathi belonged to an economically weaker family in Belthangady, Dakshina Kannada district. During her initial days, she was working as a house maid before venturing into professional theatre. She began her career as a stage artiste in M.V. Subbaiah Naidu's drama troupe 'Sahitya Samrajya Nataka Mandali' in Mysuru (then Mysore) where she stole the hearts of many drama-lovers in 'Bhaktha Prahlada' drama and many mythological dramas. She had also worked as an artiste in the drama company of Mahalinga Bhagavathar — Sri Sahitya Samrajya.

As a supporting actor, Leelavathi made her film debut through 'Nagakannika's Kannada movie produced by Shankar Singh in the year 1949. Her first film as a lead actor was 'Mangalya Yoga' in 1958 and her first film with thespian of Sandalwood Dr. Rajkumar was 'Ranadheera Kanteerava' in 1960. Rajkumar and Leelavathi became a hit pair after the stupendous success of the film 'Rani Honnamma,' after which the duo was cast in a string of hit films like 'Santha Tukaram', 'Kantheredu Nodu', 'Kaiwara Mahathme', 'Gaali Gopura', 'Kanyarathna', 'Kulavadhu', 'Veera Kesari', 'Thoogudeepa', 'Mana Mechchida Madadi' and 'Sipayi Ramu', to name a few.

Young Leelavathi with matinee idol Dr. Rajkumar in the Kannada movie 'Thoogudeepa.'

Post 1970, Leelavathi switched over to playing character/ supporting roles and played mother, grandmother to many top heroes and heroines then.

She had acted in 400 Kannada films alone, besides Telugu, Tamil and Malayalam films totalling 600 films. Leelavathi wanted to establish her only son Vindoraj as an actor and Director and Producer Dwarakeesh also introduced him as a hero in 'Dance Raja Dance' film. But his debut film failed the expectations.

Leelavathi, who had a keen interest in farming, had developed a farm at Soladevanahalli in Nelamangala taluk, Bengaluru Rural district, where she spent her last years. Vinodraj, who was a pillar of support to his mother, together did many social services, lending a helping hand to many poor families in and around Soladevanahalli.

Having a strong will to build a Veterinary Hospital in the village, Leelavathi built the hospital that was inaugurated recently by Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and hat-trick hero Shivarajkumar (Shivanna).

Leelavathi, who had won a Filmfare Award as a Best Supporting Actor for 'Kannadada Kanda' film, had been bestowed Dr. Rajkumar Award for Lifetime Achievement by the State Government, besides winning State Film Awards as a Best Supporting Actor for films 'Gejje Puje', 'Sipayi Ramu', 'Dr. Krishna' and several other films.

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Bring back the Anti-Rowdy Squad

City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth inspecting the lethal weapons recovered during the raid on rowdy-sheeters houses. Picture right shows City Top Cop warning rowdy-sheeters not to indulge in any anti-social activities. *(File photos dated Dec. 13, 2022)*

Recently, a youth assaulted the MCC Revenue Inspector in his office because the Inspector had told him not to smoke on the office premises. A few weeks earlier, there was a report that three youths assaulted a middle-aged man for honking at them as they entered a one-way street.

A few weeks ago, I witnessed an accident near Crawford Hall where two youngsters came out of nowhere and rammed into a car that was slowly being driven around the circle by an elderly man.

After the accident, the boys limped up to the old man and screamed, *"You blind old fellow, didn't you see I was coming at high speed? Don't you know you have to brake?"* The youngster was so entitled that he felt all traffic should brake when he was riding fast. What audacity!

A fellow commuter told the boys it was their mistake to speed like that. The boys threatened him and gave him a dirty lashing in Kannada, saying, *"Shut your ass and get out."* Most of us left because the boys looked too menacing.

Such incidents of young thugs abrasively threatening and beating up people have been happening more often these days and will increase as the city grows.

Mysuru Police have done a splendid job investigating serious crimes, but they have failed to tackle 'minor assault' cases. It is getting hard to tackle such cases because the Police treat them as a 'skirmish' or just an 'outburst,' so don't file a complaint; just let the thugs go with a warning.

The other reason is that victims don't file complaints as they will be stuck in the Police Station for a whole day and maybe even for a few days.

There are another two factors which have contributed to the increase in the brutish attitude of youngsters. First, the political patronage given to 'Vedikes' (platforms) and 'Abhimanigala Sanghas' means there is political pressure on the Police not to take action against youths who are members of such associations.

The second issue is — law-keepers felicitated by law-breakers. Every time a new Police Officer comes to the city and takes charge, the first people to welcome him with a bouquet of flowers are the guys most likely to break the law.

Worse, these days, one sees Police Officers in bars and restaurants sitting and dining with people of questionable repute. This does not bode well for the Police force. How can the public get confidence in the Police when they are sitting and enjoying liquor and laughter with the very people the ordinary citizen wants to file a complaint against?

As cases of minor assault increase, what are we citizens to do? Is it time we, too, like the cops, start wearing body cams? That way, even if we can't get justice, we can at least put up the video on social media and warn people of the self-styled rowdies.

Should we common citizens carry pepper spray or chilli powder so we can defend ourselves when assaulted by some young thug who is high on booze and ego?

It may be time to bring back the Anti-Rowdy Squad, but a lite-version that patrols heavily in the city limits.

In the early 1990s, rowdies became a menace as the Police turned a blind eye. Then, in 1993, two on-duty Constables were attacked near Gayathri Talkies on Chamaraja Double Road.

Immediately, the then City Police Commissioner H.R. Kasturirangan set up an 'Anti-Rowdy Squad' headed by Inspector K.S. Thammaiah. Soon, the cleansing began with rowdy-sheeter Lakshman, aka 'Chimpanzee', being killed in an encounter when he tried to 'escape' from Police custody in the old Santhepet area.

ARS, as we journalists called the Squad, had struck fear in the hearts of rowdies and, more importantly, aspiring rowdies. In a few years, rowdies completely mellowed down, and the Anti-Rowdy Squad was moved into the City Crime Branch, where it remains dormant. Can City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth revive it?

After all, it was Commissioner Banoth, who dragged a few powerful politicians who were rowdy-sheeters to the Police Station for a roll call last year. They had earlier refused.

Such acts by the Police give the public confidence. Mysuru citizens would appreciate it if the Commissioner could create an 'Ultra-Lite - Anti-Rowdy Squad' with a hotline number so senior citizens and ordinary citizens don't fear this new wave of self-styled young dons.

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Heroic Arjuna not hit by bullet, clarifies Vet

'Elephant Prashantha was darted by accident as wild tusker charged at Arjuna'

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Dec. 9- Amidst the controversy surrounding the demise of Dasara elephant Arjuna and facing criticism from Mahouts, Kavadis and wildlife activists for the perceived mishandling of the operation, including the firing of the tranquilliser dart, Nagarahole Tiger Reserve Veterinarian Dr. H. Ramesha, who was one of the participants in the operation, has spoken out for the first time.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* about the recent elephant capture operation in Yeslur, Hassan and the subsequent confrontation with the wild elephant that led to Arjuna's unfortunate demise, the veterinarian said, "The huge wild tusker was positioned within a dense and thorny thicket and he abruptly and violently charged at Arjuna even before the tranquilliser dart could be fired. Arjuna's tragic demise has deeply saddened me," he said.

Only double-barrel guns

Clarifying that he accidentally darted another elephant named Prashantha, not Arjuna, Dr. Ramesha refuted the allegations made by Arjuna's Mahout Vinu that Arjuna was hit by a bullet. "Our team only possessed double-barrel guns and a single bullet is ruled out," he said.

Recalling the operation on Dec. 4 at KFDC grove near Dabballikatte in the Yeslur Range of the Hassan division, Dr. Ramesha, also recovering from injuries, the trauma of the challenging operation and Arjuna's loss, explained that a sharp wooden piece had pierced Arjuna's left leg, causing the nail to come off and he succumbed to the injuries sustained during the violent encounter with the wild elephant.

"We started the operation at 11 am and six elephants including Arjuna were taken to capture two wild tuskers. I was sitting on Arjuna along with his mahout Vinu and on top of Karnataka Bheema sat Mahout Gunda and assistant Anil while Dubare DRFO Ranjan sat on Prashantha along with his Mahout. Initially we spotted a herd and the tusker that was identified for capture was not in that herd," Dr. Ramesha recounted.

"The team proceeded further and we spotted a huge tusker behind a thorny bush. However, this tusker was not identified for capture. The tusker that was in musth condition, suddenly charged at Arjuna and this happened in a flash before we could fire the tranquilliser dart at him. The tusker pierced Arjuna's cheek and due to the sheer force, we were pushed from Arjuna's back. I was dangling with a tranquilliser gun in one hand and a rope on the other. Mahout Vinu pulled me on top. Later, we alighted from Arjuna's back and meanwhile, after a few moments, the wild tusker charged again and both the tuskers fought for over five minutes," he narrated.

Captured in one of the final moments, this photo features Arjuna along with his mahout Vinu, Nagarahole Tiger Reserve veterinarian Dr. H. Ramesha, Gundu, the Mahout of Karnataka Bheema and Forest Department assistant Anil, just before embarking on the operation in Hassan on Dec. 4.

Dart on Prashantha

"When I lost balance from Arjuna's top as the wild tusker pushed Arjuna, the safety lock of the tranquilliser gun opened accidentally and as my hand was in the trigger button, it pressed, releasing the dart. The dart hit the foreleg of Prashantha and DRFO Ranjan informed us. Immediately, we rushed to Prashantha, who was slipping into a sleepy mode and gave him an antidote to revive," Dr. Ramesha recalled.

Recalling the fight between Arjuna and the wild tusker, Dr. Ramesha said that the fight was so severe that over two-acres of vegetation was cleared. "The staff opened air fire but it did not deter the wild tusker and it continued attacking Arjuna, who collapsed after some time. Moreover, a sharp wooden piece had pierced Arjuna's nails and it was bleeding and was in immense pain, incapacitating him further," he added.

For the record, Dr. Ramesha has actively participated in 65 elephant capture operations in the last five years and darted 45 elephants, seven tigers, 60 leopards and 10 sloth bears in the past five years.

'Elephants in musth condition are advantageous in wild operations'

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (MTY&BCT)- Addressing allegations that Arjuna was included in the operation despite being in a musth condition, veterinarian Dr. Ramesha clarified that utilising an elephant in musth was advantageous.

"In the musth condition, an elephant secretes a liquid, and its scent tends to deter wild elephants. This is as per the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). Additionally, according to Supreme Court guidelines, elephants over 60 years old should not carry heavy weights but can be effectively employed in such capture operations," he explained.

Describing Arjuna as a hero, Dr. Ramesha emphasised Arjuna's significant contribution to capturing six out of nine elephants in operations across Alur, Belur, Sakleshpur and Yeslur ranges within the Hassan Wildlife Division before his unfortunate demise. "Arjuna has attained 'veera marana,' and it is solely due to him that the lives of seven to eight people present at the time could be saved," added Dr. Ramesha.

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Statue of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji installed at Gun House Circle

District-level Committee permits statue installation as it does not encroach upon public space

*PIC. 1: **The statue of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji being installed on the pedestal with a crane behind the statue last night.** PIC. 2: **As the news spread about placing of the statue on the pedestal, some people gathered at the spot near Gun House Circle protesting against its installation.** PIC. 3: **The statue as seen this morning and under Police protection.***

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (RK & BCT)- The issue surrounding installation of a statue at the Gun House Circle near Mysore Palace, a bone of contention among various organisations, took an unexpected turn last night with the abrupt installation of the statue of the late Suttur Seer Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji.

This morning, however, the proceedings of the District-level Committee (as authorised by the Karnataka High Court) was released to the media. The Committee has decided to permit the installation of Sri Rajendra Swamiji's statue at the Gun House Circle.

Up until now, one faction had been advocating for the installation of Sri Rajendra Swamiji's statue at Gun House Circle, situated near the South Gate of the Mysore Palace, while another group insisted on placing Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar's statue in the same location. The Gun House Circle is located in front of the JSS Mahavidyapeetha building.

The foundation for the statue was laid by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah during his first term on Aug. 29, 2018. The initiation of the statue installation was carried out by the Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Centenary Celebrations Committee.

Last night, the statue was transported to the Circle by a crane and was placed on the pedestal, much to the disapproval and anger of members of the Urs community. They protested the sudden move, citing that the matter was still pending in the High Court, and the installation violated a Court order.

As a crowd supporting the Urs community gathered at Gun House Circle to protest the statue installation, devotees of Sri Rajendra Swamiji also assembled at the spot, asserting that opposition to Sri Rajendra Swamiji's statue was unwarranted. Arguments ensued between the two groups, leading to a tense situation. Eventually, the Police intervened and the escalated situation was brought under control. But the protests continued till late in the night.

Decision of District-level Committee

Meanwhile, the decision (as per the High Court directive) made by the District-level Committee to proceed with the installation of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji's statue at Gun House Circle was communicated to the media this morning.

The Committee, which convened a meeting on 22.6.2023, thoroughly examined the issue and conducted a site visit. **It concluded that the Sri Rajendra Swamiji Circle already exists at the said location and that the installation of the statue would not encroach upon public space.** On 2.9.2023, a letter was sent to the Principal Secretary of the Law Department seeking legal opinion.

Given that the matter falls under the jurisdiction of the Urban Development Department, the Law Department forwarded it to the Urban Development Department on 25.9.2023. The Urban Development Department then instructed the District-level Committee to make a decision in accordance with the High Court's ruling on 10.6.2022.

During its meeting, the District-level Committee observed that the Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Circle (Gun House Circle) is situated at the intersection of six roads. The Circle existed even before 29.9.2009, and it was determined that the Circle was not newly constructed. Furthermore, the Committee concluded that the installation of the statue of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji would not encroach upon public space.

As per the decisions, the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner, who is the Chairman of the Committee, passed an order on Dec. 5, 2023 to go ahead with the decision of the Committee.

Other members include City Police Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation Commissioner, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mysuru Urban Development Authority Commissioner, PWD Executive Engineer, Project Director, Town Planning Authority and Mysuru Tahsildar.

The copies of the District-level Committee proceedings have been sent to Jayadevaraje Urs, General Secretary, Karnataka State Urs Sangha, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Sathyanarayanarao of Akhila Bharatha Kshatriya Mahasabha, Bengaluru, Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Seva Trust and Palace historian Prof. P.V. Nanjaraje Urs.

District Committee must take a decision: High Court in June 2022

The Karnataka High Court, while allowing a Review Petition of the State Government on June 10, 2022 had said that a District-level Committee shall examine the proposal of the State Government on the installation of the statue.

The Karnataka Government, in its order on Mar. 3, 2017, granted permission for installation and maintenance of the statue of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, which was challenged by two organisations through a Writ Petition.

The High Court, which heard the Writ Petition on Sept. 7, 2021, directed not to install the proposed statue. But the Karnataka Government filed a Review Petition on Sept. 25, 2021 and the High Court passed an order on June 10, 2022, stating that the District-level Committee shall examine the proposal of the State Government for installation of Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji at Gun House Circle.

'It is legal & not violating orders'

We have installed Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji's statue in a legal way, without violating any orders. The move is as per the decision taken by the District-level Committee and the Karnataka High Court. **Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji worked for the welfare of not one community but all communities and we have utmost respect for the Wadiyar family and their contributions to the region's development.** The statue was installed at night with Police protection as there is much traffic during day time."

— Dr. C.G. Betsurmath,
Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidyapeetha

'Very unfortunate'

I have learnt about placing of a statue surreptitiously during late evening hours, using a crane at Gun House Circle, Mysore. It is very unfortunate that this kind of high handedness is displayed from an organisation claiming to be a prudent institution. I have supported the sentiments of the members of the community who have persistently resisted installation of the statue in the said location."

— Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Member of Mysore royal family

Urs Mandali members to meet DC; to fight it out in Court

Jayadevaraje Urs, General Secretary, Karnataka State Urs Sangha, addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city this morning as others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (GA&BCT)- Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan this morning, leaders of Urs Mandali, including Jayadevaraje Urs, General Secretary of Karnataka State Urs Sangha, Amarnath Raje Urs, Sridhar Raje Urs, Nanjunda Raje Urs and Srikanth Raje Urs, voiced strong opposition to the installation of Sri Rajendra Swamiji's statue at Gun House Circle.

"This move goes against the High Court order and we are prepared to initiate a legal battle. On Monday (Dec. 11), we plan to meet with the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner to articulate our demands," stated Jayadevaraje Urs.

He criticised the decision as unilateral and clandestine, emphasising that they were not consulted. Urs said that in the past, members of the Urs Sangha used to be invited. But for the meeting held on 5.12.2023, no member of the Sangha was invited. The Court did not set up this Committee to allow installation of a new statue as it is done now.

He expressed that this decision insulted the Maharajas, who have significantly contributed to the region's development. Jayadevaraje Urs noted that the proceedings of the District-level Committee were not communicated to Urs Mandali.

In the past, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, member of the erstwhile Mysore royal family and the wife of the late Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, wrote to Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, urging a reconsideration of plans to install the statue of late Suttur Seer Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji. According to Jayadevaraje Urs, her request was ignored.

He further argued, "The statue of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar is at K.R. Circle, Chamaraja Wadiyar's statue is at the North Gate of the Palace, and Jayachamaraja Wadiyar's statue is at Hardinge Circle. Since all the Circles surrounding the Palace feature statues of the late Maharajas, placing the statue of Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar at Gun House Circle is ideal and appropriate."

National Lok Adalat

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The Mysore Bar Association has launched an indefinite protest demanding the implementation of Advocates (Protection) Act, in the wake of recent incident of murder of an advocate at Kalaburagi and brutal assault on another advocate at Chikkamagalur by the Policemen.

It is said that the prominent advocates of the State, who have been holding a meeting at High Court premises in Bengaluru, will be meeting Chief Minister Siddharamaiah in a delegation later in this regard.

Depending on the outcome of the meeting with CM, a decision will be taken on future course of action, whether to continue with the protest or attend the Court proceedings from Dec. 11.

Yesterday too, advocates here boycotted the Court and staged a protest in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust near City Law Courts Complex on Krishnaraja Boulevard.

Addressing the protesters, Mysore Bar Association President M. Mahadevaswamy said: "The advocates are frequently being assaulted in the State. At Chikkamagalur, Policemen brutally assaulted an advocate who should be dismissed from the service at the earliest. Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, who attended the 10th State-level Advocates Convention in Mysuru during the month of August and had promised to pass Advocates (Protection) Act in the Assembly Session, should keep his word."

With regard to Chikkamagalur case, accused Policemen have been booked under various Indian Penal Code (IPC) Sections 506,341,307,324, 326, 504 and 149 but not all have been arrested in the case. The second accused was arrested and released on Station Bail, but there is no provision in law to release an accused booked under IPC 307, under Station Bail without obtaining a regular Bail from the Court, said Mahadevaswamy.

A plea in relation to the case has been filed at High Court and the order is expected on Tuesday, he added.

Mysore Bar Association Vice-President Puttasiddegowda, Secretary S. Umesh, Treasurer H.S. Mahadevaswamy, Joint Secretary G.M. Nagesh, Joint Secretary (Women) B.S. Bhagya and hundreds of other advocates took part in the protest yesterday.

'Temporal Dimensions' art expo opens in city

Obayya's painting titled 'I am a good painter, I want a job.'

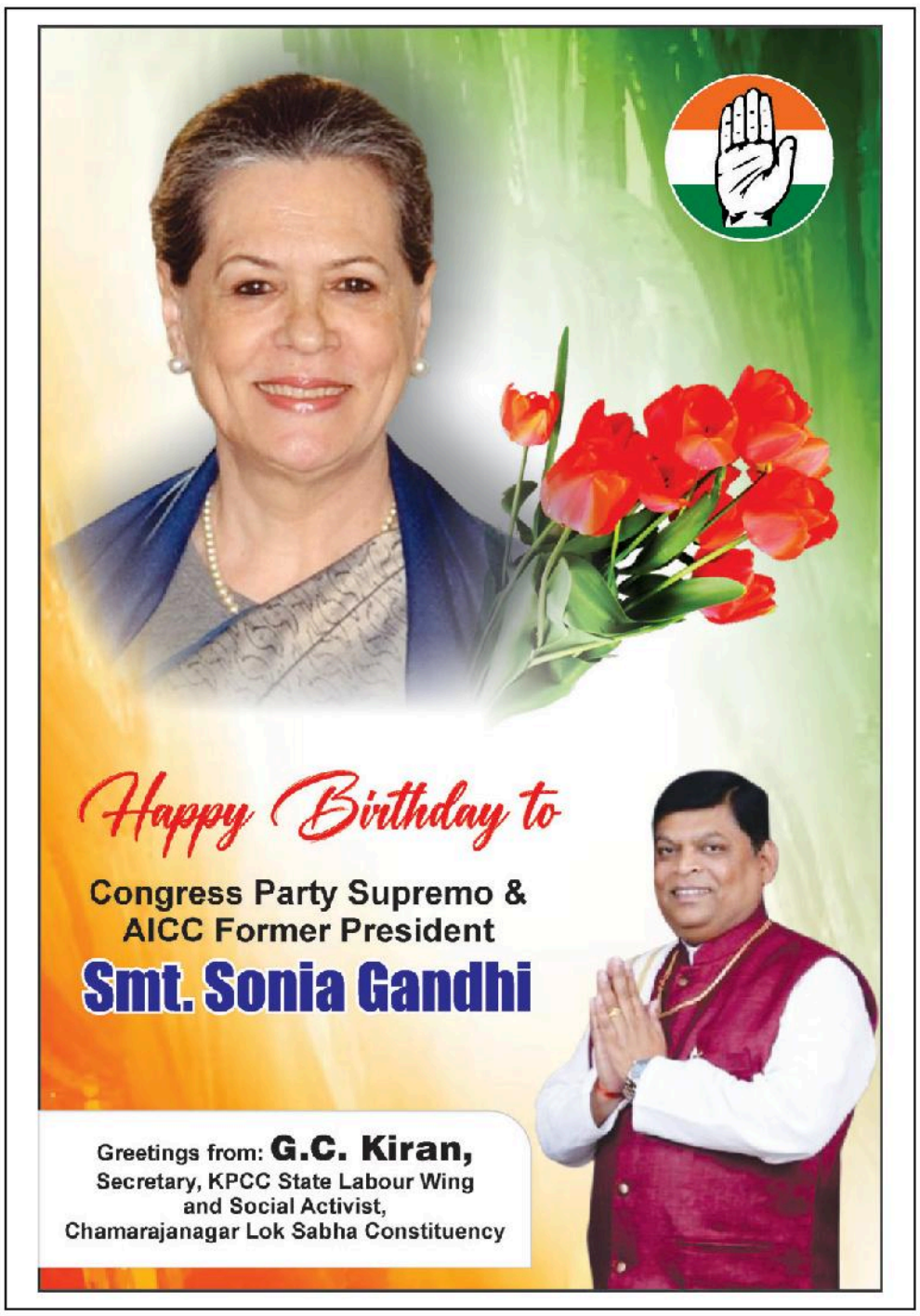
Mysuru, Dec. 9- Temporal Dimensions, an art exhibition by **Obayya**, an Alumnus of CAVA, Mysuru, was inaugurated at Indian Heritage Cities Network, No. 3, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, on Dec. 7.

The expo is between 11 am and 7.30 pm till Dec. 11.

The exhibition features paintings, installation art and art works made using cow dung. The expo brings together sequentially developed series of art works by Obayya, a visual artist from Puttur, from the last four years. The paintings, drawings, prints and lately, sculptural installations draw attention to his preoccupation with the human condition and the truth of lives that are tied to perpetual service in return for basic living needs.

'Flower Seller'

'The Working Class Warriors' — An installation art by Obayya.



NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption tomorrow

As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be taking up 3rd quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Adakanahalli Power Distribution Centre, there will be no power supply at Adakanahalli Industrial Area tomorrow between 10 am and 5 pm.

Free Health Check-up Camp

NJS Charitable Trust, Mysuru, in association with Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha, is organising a free Health Check-up Camp from 9.30 am to 2 pm on Dec. 12 at Kanti Veeranna Kalyana Mandira on Kabir Road, near Mandi Police Station, Mandi Mohalla. The members of the public are appealed to utilise this opportunity, according to a press release. For registration and details, contact Mob: 94487-53597 or 99161-55453, according to a press release from NJS Charitable Trust.

Deadline extended

The Social Welfare Department has extended the deadline to apply for admission to Post-Matric Students Hostel for SC community students, to Dec. 15. The students can apply for fresh admission via the website: ***sw.kar.nic.in.*** For details, visit the Department Office at Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan on Adipampa Road in Paduvarahalli or call Ph: 0821-2520910, according to a press release from the Social Welfare Department.

Last chance to clear exams

The University of Mysore (UoM) has given one last chance for students who have failed to clear their exams even in 'Double the Duration' period, to appear for the uncleared subjects of semesters, as per the old scheme and syllabus. For details, visit the University website: ***www.uni-mysore.ac.in***

Obituary

Keshavaraju

Mysuru, Dec. 9- Keshavaraju (58), a resident of Gayathripuram here, passed away yesterday.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon, according to family sources.

How to improve SSLC results?
Over 800 HMs hold meeting

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (MTY&KS)- About 800 Head Masters and Head Mistresses of Government, Aided and Unaided Schools attended a day-long meeting at Kalamandira on Hunsur Road here on Thursday to discuss about improving SSLC results in the district. The meeting was jointly organised by the District Administration, Zilla Panchayat (ZP) and Department of Public Instructions.

Speaking at the meeting, ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri said that with SSLC exams scheduled to take place in March 2024, exam fear will grip the students though they have studied well. The students will also undergo a lot of pressure from their parents, neighbours and relatives which will have an adverse effect on their minds.

The ZP CEO called upon the High School Head Masters to take up programmes to instil confidence among the students.

Calling upon the teachers to identify children whose academic learning is poor as they are the ones who spend most of the time with students and make efforts to improve their learning skills, the ZP CEO said special classes should be taken up to enable students to clear their doubts and perform well in the exams.

She also advised the HMs to encourage group studies during the last period of the day which would help the students discuss their problems and get their doubts on the subjects cleared.

Gayathri asked the School Heads to conduct counselling by calling expert counsellors to their schools and get the exam fear removed from the minds of the students.

Deputy Director of Public Instruction (DDPI) H.K. Pandu gave a power point presentation on the occasion.

ZP Deputy Secretary Krishnamraju, Department of School Education and Literacy Joint Director Dr. K. Panduranga, Teachers Training School Principal Geethamma, District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) Principal Nagaraju and Block Education Officers (BEOs) Revanna (Hunsur), Basavaraju (Periyapatna), Raju (Mysuru South), Shobha (T. Narasipur), Nagaraju (H.D. Kote), Krishnappa (K.R. Nagar), Vivekananda (Mysuru Rural) and others attended the meeting.

MGP plans 'Naale Habba' to save encroached canals

Mysuru, Dec. 9 (SPN&BCT)- Aiming to mobilise public action to preserve the endangered lakes and canals of Mysuru, such as the encroached Dewan Poornaiah Canal, Bogadi Lake Rajakaluve and the constructions above the Lingambudhi Lake Rajakaluve, a phased people's movement is taking shape in the form of 'Janagraha Chaluvali' and 'Naale (Canal) Habba.'

To formalise these efforts, members of the Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) convened at the MGP Office in Yadavagiri recently.

Noted water conservationist and wetland expert U.N. Ravikumar elucidated the problems caused by the encroachments on Dewan Poornaiah Canal and the Lingambudhi Lake Rajakaluve.

The encroachments have resulted in flooding whenever it rained, causing untold misery to the residents. The Dewan Poornaiah Canal serves as the main feeder Canal, supplying fresh water to Kukkarahalli Lake and runs between Bogadi and SBM Layout. Originally spanning 22 kms, only 2.5 kms of the Dewan Poornaiah Canal remains today due to unscientific development practices and environmental disregard, Ravikumar noted.

In the 1980s, rampant construction activities in Vijayanagar and Bogadi led to the destruction of this historic Canal that was built to supply fresh water to Kukkarahalli Lake from Bommanahalli Lake near Huyilalu village.

Only 2.5 kms Poornaiah Canal remains

Presently, only 2.5 kms of the Canal still exists behind Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE) and near Bogadi Road Bridge. Encroachments on the Canal have disrupted the natural flow of water, causing flooding in the layouts during rainfall, with water taking days to recede, he explained.

Recent instances of unprecedented rains, attributed to climate change, impacting regions, heightened these concerns. In response, residents of the Railway Colony, including professionals, expressed a keen interest in actively pressuring the Government to address the encroachment issue.

"Pressure must be mounted on the District Administration to take control of the remaining 2.5 kms of the Canal so that at least 30 percent of the fresh rainwater naturally flows into the Kukkarahalli Lake. During the planned 'Naale Habba,' people must be made aware of how their localities are flooded with just two to three hours of rain as there is no space for the rainwater to enter the canals as the canal routes are blocked by buildings and homes. Instead, the rainwater flows on roads and drains, clogging them," Ravikumar opined.

Ready for legal battle

There were suggestions from participants for the MGP to be ready for a legal battle wherever the options are open and also involve the local political leaders and other stakeholders in the fight. Moreover, every day, over 3,000 walkers come to the Kukkarahalli Lake and they must be convinced to take part in the public movement, the participants suggested.

During deliberations, some activists suggested refraining from demanding the complete restoration of the entire 22-kilometre Poornaiah canal, citing potential delays in the process. In contrast, they argued that a powerful message should be sent, asserting that any encroachment or illegal structures would be removed by advocating for the full restoration of the canal.

Bhamy V. Shenoy said that despite the urgency to commence work on clearing the canal, the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) displayed no interest. Delays in releasing funds to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) were cited as examples.

While engaging political leaders and elected representatives is valuable for garnering support to restore the canal, it was strongly emphasised that significant public involvement is essential, participants felt.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 9)

- **Sayoga, Mysuru:** Two-day Sayoga Bazaar-2023, expo-cum-sale of natural perfumes, fabric dolls, stationery, home decor, clothing, jewellery and much more... No. 2775, 4th Main, V.V. Mohalla, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Temporal Dimensions, an art exhibition by Obayya (exhibition features paintings, installation art and art works made using cow dung), Indian Heritage Cities Network, No. 3, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **up to 7.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) - Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild-23, exhibition of construction materials, equipment, interiors and lifestyles, **up to 9 pm;** Cultural programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Indian Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE):** Urjavaran-2023, the annual conference of ISHRAE, **2 pm to 10 pm;** Inauguration, Dr. N. Muthukumar, President, Meritor, will be the chief guest at the inaugural function at 3 pm. Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna, President, ISHRAE Mysore Chapter, Anil Kumar Nadiger, Immediate Past President, Arani Srinivas, President-Elect, Prof. E. Amruth, Secretary, T.A. Prabhakar, Programme Chair, S.G. Rajesh, Treasurer, P.V. Bharadwaj and others will be present, Hotel Le Regenta, **3 pm.**
- **Hemmige Sri Vaishnava Sabha:** Felicitation to achievers from various fields and music programme, Mysuru City and District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash presides, noted orator, researcher and scholar Vid. Dr. T.V. Satyanarayana and Income Tax-Bengaluru Commissioner Sowmya Achar chief guests, **4 pm;** Vocal concert by Hemmige S. Prashanth, accompanied by Vaibhav Ramani on violin and Aniruddha Bhat on mridanga; distribution of 'Alwar Acharyarugalu Kanda Srirangaraja,' published by Hemmige Sri Vaishnava Sabha, will be distributed for free after the programme, Rotary West auditorium, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali:** 'Kathe Kelona Banni-805,' story-telling by P. Mukund, retd. Head Master, Seva Bharathi, Teerthahalli, Shivamogga, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Science Sanje, Dr. Belle Damodara Shenoy, Principal Scientist, CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography (NIO), Vishakapatnam, speaks on 'Role of Fungi in Human life,' in Kannada and English, Suruchi Rangamane, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.** [Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115]
- **Prajna Mahila Samaja, Saraswathipuram:** Anniversary celebrations, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, MMC&RI Dean & Director Dr. K.R. Dhakshayini inaugurates, Additional SP Dr. B.N. Nandini and Prajna Mahila Samaja Founder-President Vasundhara S. Kumar chief guests, JSS Law College auditorium, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm.**
- **Malini Nrityashale mattu Samskrutika Kendra, Mysuru and Kannada & Cultrue Directorate, Bengaluru:** Dasavani Programme, Brahmatantra Swatantra Parakalamutt, next to Jaganmohan Palace, Lakshmi Vilas Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre:** Talk on 'Body language for professionals,' S. Dayanidhi of Soprano Management Spices - Mysuru guest speaker, IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Deepu presides, IEI premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Muktidananda speaks on 'Daivaprajna Karmayajna Spiritualising Work,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust:** Smt. K. Vanajakshamma Samsmarana Nritya Aradhana 2023, Bharatanatyam by Tumakuru's Vidu. Bala Vishwanath's troupe, **6.15 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Bengaluru's Bharatanritya Sangeetha Academy Director Dr. Shubharani Bolar's troupe, Ganabharathi Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of children's play 'Hebbala,' written by Jayateertha and directed by Mandya Ramesh, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 72595-37777 or 94804-68327]
- **Abhiyenthararu - A Theatre for Engineers, Mysuru:** 30th anniversary celebrations, 'Ranga Sambhrama' Theatre Festival, staging of play 'Mallige Thotadalli Murder,' written and director by Rajendra Karanth, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.** [Mob: 99453-55777 or 99022-38443]
- **Sri Lakshminarasimhaswamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yatiraj Mutt, Mysuru Branch, Kalidasa Road:** Swati Puja, Prakarotsava, Temple premises, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 10)

- **Carmel Catholic Association (CCA), Mysuru:** 31st Carol Singing Competition, *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna inaugurates, Apostolic Administrator of Mysore Diocese Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras chief guest, CCA Advisor Rev. Fr. Rijo Thomas CMI guest of honour, CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew presides, **8.30 am;** Valedictory, University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath and Mandya Diocese Bishop Most Rev. Mar Sebastian Adayantharath chief guests, Provincial of St. Pauls Province, Mysuru and CCA Patron Rev. Fr. Augustine Payampallil CMI guest of honour, CCA President Prof. Joseph Mathew presides, Teresian College auditorium, Siddarthanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Swaraanjali:** 'Sandya Sambhrama' for senior citizens, rangoli competition and prelims of Quiz 'Path antha Heli', **9 am;** Musical event by Swaraanjali members, MMC&RI's Platinum Jubilee Hall, J.K. Grounds, **5 pm.** [Mob: 97412-20301 or 96639-77949]
- **Samruddhi Trust, Mysuru:** One-day workshop to make candles, **9.30 am to 1 pm;** Distribution of certificates, Dr. V. Shushrutha Gowda of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital and Mysuru City Congress Committee President R. Murthy chief guests, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda presides, Trust office, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **2 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 10)

- **Rotary Club of Mysore East:** Seminar on 'Celebrating Women in Rotary,' Dr. L. Savitha (Education), Rtn. Elizabeth Cherian (President of Alliance for Health Promotions, Geneva, DG Nominee - 2025-26), Rtn. Revathi Kamath of Zerodha and Swathi Chandrashekar (Journalist, Founder and CEO of Citizen India Forum), will speak on role of women in shaping younger generations, well-being and leadership; Rtn. H.R. Keshav, DG, RI Dist.3181, chief guest, Rtn. B.C. Geetha, DG, RI Dist.3182 and Rotary International President-Nominee Rtn. Mario Cessar will be present, Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club (Mysore Sports Club), **10 am to 4 pm.** [Mob: 99005-10715 or 96633-88036]
- **Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) - Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** MyBuild-23, exhibition of construction materials, equipment, interiors and lifestyles, **10 am to 9 pm;** Cultural programmes, Maharaja's College Grounds, **6.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Srikanta Educational Institutions and Srikanta Samskruta Pathashale:** Inauguration of 'Gita Jayanti,' retd. Professor Vid. A.M. Chandrashekar chief guest and speaker, Sri K.N. Varadaraja Iyengar Memorial Trust President R.G. Narasimha Iyengar presides, Institutions' auditorium, Khille Mohalla, **10 am.**
- **Mysore Literary Association:** 7th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) for 2022-2023, Rotary Mysore West Auditorium, Saraswathipuram, **11 am.** [Ph: 0821-2975469]
- **Indian Heritage Cities Network:** Temporal Dimensions, an art exhibition by Obayya (exhibition features paintings, installation art and art works made using cow dung), Indian Heritage Cities Network, No. 3, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **11 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **People's Legal Forum:** World Human Rights Day celebrations, lecture on 'Human Rights in the eyes of Constitution' by Advocate and Forum Director Baburaj Palladan, Maharaja's Government High School Head Master Dr. D. Mahesh inaugurates, retd. Maj. Gen. S.G. Vombatkere presides, Siddarthanagar Government First Grade College Principal Dr. N. Mayadevi guest, Maharaja's High School auditorium, **11 am.**
- **Kanshi Foundation:** Vijaya Mahesh's birth anniversary celebrations, State-level Vijaya Award presentation and releasing of Vijaya Mahesh's memorial volume, Sri Shadakshari Deshikendra Swamiji of Halavara Mutt and Bodhiratna Bhanteji of Nalanda Buddha Vihar will grace the occasion, Rajyotsava awardee and retd. KIKS Professor C. Naganna inaugurates, MLA T.S. Srivatsa and Chamarajanagar ADC Geeta Huded will present awards, former Minister N. Mahesh presides, Nityotsava function hall, near Ballal Circle (Ashoka Circle), **2 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA):** Dasara Exhibition, Doddakere Maidan, **3 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP):** Monthly meeting, participants will brainstorm ideas to celebrate National Consumer Day (Dec. 24) in a more meaningful way to bring about better governance, MGP Office, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, **4 pm.** [Ph: 0821-2515150]
- **Dinesh Coaching Centre:** 26th Annual Pratibha Puraskar presentation, Swami Mahamedananda of RIMSE and Retired Additional Secretary to the Government of India C.V. Gopinath chief guests, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **4 pm.**
- **Pradosha Sangha, Srimanmaharaja Samskruta Mahapathashale:** Lecture on 'Bharatiya Samskruti mattu Vaijnanika Drishtikona' by Bengaluru's Vibhu Academy Head Dr. V.B. Arathi, Srimanmaharaja Samskruta Mahapathashale Principal Dr. P. Satyanarayana presides, Srimanmaharaja Samskruta Mahapathashale premises, New Sayyaji Rao Road, **4 pm;** Mahapradosha Puja at Sri Vidyaganapathi Sannidhi, **6 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 94497-82124]
- **Studio Swaramadhura, Mysuru:** Grand premiere of the short film 'Kappuhamsa,' produced by Studio Swaramadhura, **5.15 pm;** Felicitation ceremony to honour cast and crew members; Actor-activist Chethan Ahimsa guest of honour, Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, 581/1, 1st Phase, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, **6.45 pm.** [Entry is free; Mob: 78998-06637]
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** 'Nad Ninad,' an Instrumental Ensemble — Vid. A.P. Srinivas - Violin, Vidu. Dr. S.V. Sahana - Veena, Vid. Shadrach Solomon - Keyboard, Vid. K.U. Jayachandra Rao - Mridanga and Vid. Pranav Dath - Rhythm Pad [Smt. Lalitha V. Murthy's Birthday Memorial Concert sponsored by Dr. Prathibha Pereira, Padma Sathish and Monica Kim, daughters of Lalitha V. Murthy), Sabha premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Aghaharananda speaks on 'Sodara Sanyasigalondige Swami Vivekanandaru,' Ashram premises, **6 pm.**
- **Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust:** Smt. K. Vanajakshamma Samsmarana Nritya Aradhana 2023, presenting of 'Noopura Shri' award to Vidu. Lalitha Khore M. Rao, retd. Director of Labour Ministry K. Krishnamurthy, retd. Professor of AVK College Prof. Sharada Ashok Rao, Director of Vaikunta Baliga Law College-Udupi Dr. Nirmala Harikrishna and art patron from Bengaluru K. Ramesh Rao guests of honour, **6.15 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Vid. K.R. Vishwadeep (son and disciple of Natyacharya Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao), Vidu. Ramya Kiran (disciple of Radhakrishna Tantri and Vidu. Veena Samaga of Radhakrishna Nrityaniketana, Udupi) and Manjushri Kadaba (disciple of Vidu. Sandhya Keshavarao, Bengaluru), Ganabharathi Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7.15 pm.**
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Actor Dhananjaya Brand Ambassador of LIDKAR: CM

Daali Dhananjaya

Bengaluru, Dec. 9 (BS)-Chief Minister Siddharamaiah announced the name of Sand-alwood actor Daali Dhananjaya as the Brand Ambassador of products of Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Leather Industries Development Corporation Limited (LIDKAR) on Wednesday.

The official announcement was made during the 67th Mahaparinirvan Diwas of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar organised in front of Vidhana Soudha here, in the presence of Social Welfare Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and other leaders.

It is also for the first time that, LIDKAR, owned by the State Government, has been named a Ambassador and Dhananjaya holds the credit of being the first in the line. LIDKAR has over 50,000 artisan families involved in the industry and the Government has roped in Dhananjaya to promote the products further.

Managing Director of LIDKAR K.M. Vasundhara said: "We are happy to have Dhananjaya, the leading actor of Sandalwood, as our Ambassador. He enjoys fan base irrespective of class and even the Minister has given his consent to appoint him (Dhananjaya) as the Ambassador. The shooting for advertisement will start soon."

Annual Carnival 'Orchidalia' on Dec. 10

Mysuru, Dec. 9- The Orchids Public School and PU College, Kumarabeedu, Mysuru and The Orchids School, Ramakrishnanagar, Mysuru, will be hosting their Annual Carnival 'Orchidalia,' a day of non-stop fun, at The Orchids Public School on Dec. 10 between 12.30 pm and 9.30 pm.

From bouncing on the inflated castle to braving the scares in the spooky house, magic show for wonderment, food to savour, Carnival procession with the theme 'Cultural Unity' and Melody meet Footsteps will add a cultural flair.

The Carnival will also feature competitions for parents to showcase their skills and talents.

WORD OF THE DAY

Detritus

Pronunciation: dih-TRYE-tus.
Meaning: Detritus refers to debris — that is, the pieces that remain when something breaks, falls apart, or is destroyed.
Origin: If you use detritus in speech, remember to stress the second syllable, as you do in the words arthritis and bronchitis. Once you've mastered its meaning and pronunciation, you'll find that detritus is a term — originally a geology term referring to loose material, such as broken rock fragments, resulting from disintegration — that can be applied in many situations. After the first hard freeze of fall, gardens are littered with the detritus of summer's plants and produce: stalks, leaves, vines, and maybe even an abandoned hand trowel. As a flood-swollen river retreats to its banks, it leaves detritus — debris gathered by the raging waters — in its wake. The detritus of civilisation may include junkyards and abandoned buildings, while mental detritus may include all kinds of useless trivia. (We're not saying it qualifies as such, but detritus comes from the Latin root deterere, meaning "to wear away, impair.")
Example: "[Artist, Fiona] Connor's one-to-one scale version of the sidewalk squares required a single concrete pour in her studio before she got to work painstakingly recreating the cracks, fissures, graffiti, blackened chewing gum debris, stamps and metal plates common to L.A. sidewalks. She is chronicling the detritus of urban life, the echoes of the city's past evident in the patches, and nature's attempt at reclamation all visible in the humble squares of concrete and asphalt." — Marissa Gluck, The Los Angeles Times, 19 Aug. 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Deckle

Ragged edge of paper.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Deep pockets

Meaning: The phrase 'Deep pockets' means that someone is very wealthy or has a lot of money.
Origin: In Ireland, this phrase has a different meaning. It is said on wealthy businessman from Tipparary who finished his drink & smashed his glass cup on ground, anticipating that owner of pub would ask him to leave the pub.
Example: One of our partners has deep pockets, we are hoping that his money will help us fund the startup.

QUOTE BOX

A room without books is like a body without a soul.

— Marcus Tullius Cicero

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Czechoslovakia.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 What you might say when you make a discovery
4 A female person
7 Shade, tint
10 Navigate the web
12 A long time
13 By mouth
15 Well-to-do
17 Taj Mahal locale
18 Engine Pressure Ratio
19 A fashion or style
20 Libertines
23 Apple's music player
25 Conjoin
26 Domestic water heater
29 Ever, contracted by a poet
30 Camera type
31 Colloquial word for a young debutante
33 American dinner jacket
36 Pile
37 A premium paid for exchange of one currency to another
38 Divers' complaint
39 Feeling remorse for
42 The sun in Spain
43 Scandinavian books
44 Dame Fortune? (4,4)
49 Black and white
50 Electronic Industries Assoc.
51 This one's __ __ : I'll pay the bill? (2,2)
52 "T" for the Greeks
53 Large deer
54 Used a shovel

DOWN

1 Simile centre (2,1)
2 Hindu Undivided family
3 Spot's sound
4 Prophet or visionary
5 Honourable, in short
6 Tolkien's tree like creature
7 Accumulates by skimping?
8 Impulse
9 Gain by labour
11 Quick or nimble
14 Youth
16 Bull periods
19 A child's plaything
20 Author Foley
21 Help a felon
22 Disease of nervous system
23 Dome made of ice
24 Through, by means of
27 The Biblical Garden
28 Peruse
30 Star Wars, initially
32 Bits Per Sec.
34 Place of contentment
35 Breakfast staple
36 A greeting
38 A youthful male person
39 Agent
40 Playback singer ___ Narayan
41 A conception
42 Mt. Rushmore's state (1,3)
44 Martial arts great Bruce ___
45 Be unwell or sick
46 And for the German
47 Communications Mgmnt. Unit
48 Small barrel containing gunpowder, perhaps

WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER

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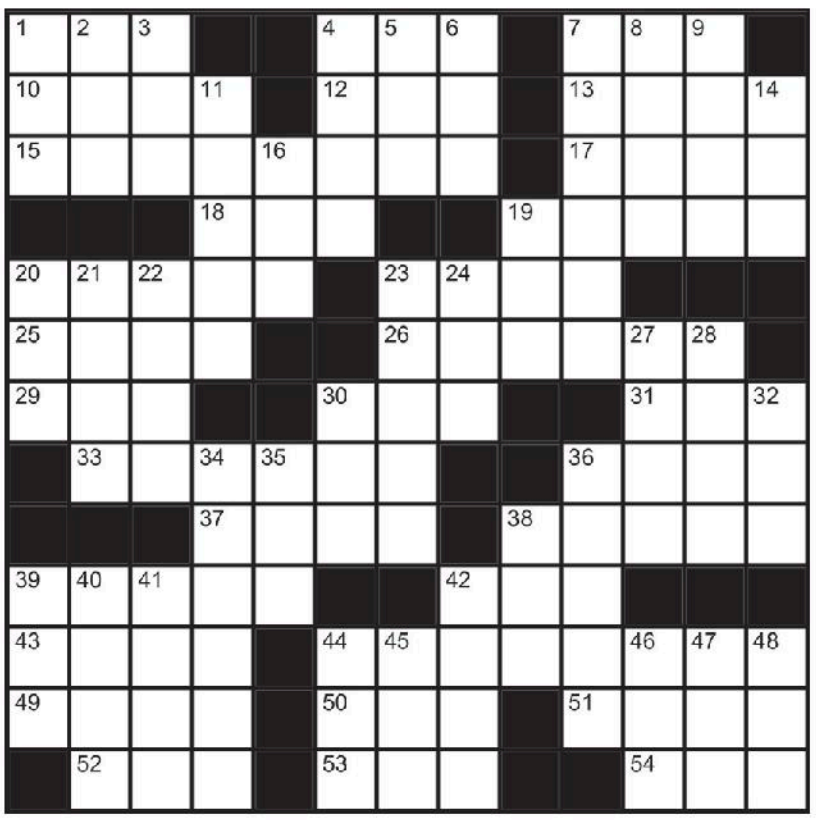

SUDOKU

6		1		2			5	
9				3			7	
		8	9					
5				7		4		
			3		8			
		3		9				8
					3	5		
	4			5				2
	9			1		3		4

Answer to previous puzzle

8	3	5	2	9	1	7	4	8
1	2	7	8	5	4	6	3	9
8	4	9	7	6	3	2	5	1
4	1	6	9	3	7	5	8	2
9	7	8	4	2	5	1	6	3
3	5	2	1	8	6	9	7	4
5	9	1	6	4	8	3	2	7
2	8	3	5	7	9	4	1	6
7	6	4	3	1	2	8	9	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

ZCBZAC DCCU EB CINBT EOSIWD UBKC XOCI EOCT HIBX M ABE

BY BEOCK ZCBZAC OMPC VCCI ACYE BFE BY EOC ZACMDFKC.

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS P

Wednesday's Cryptoquip: Perseverance is a great element of success. If you only knock long enough and loud enough at the gate, you are sure to wake up somebody.

MOVIE LOVERS

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  Kaiva (K) - 4 Shows
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  Marichi (K) - 2 Shows
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  Animal (H) - 4 Shows
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  Conjuring Kannappan (Ta) - 4 Shows

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Animal (H)	(S-1)	10.25 am, 2.20 pm
		6.15 pm, 10.05 pm
Sapta Sagardaache Ello - B (K)	(S-2)	10.20 am
Athi I Love You (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	(S-2)	4.00 pm, 10.10 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	7.10 pm
Politics Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	11.05 am
Marichi (K)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Wonka (E)	(S-3)	7.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Kaiva (K)	(S-4)	10.35 am, 1.20 pm, 10.00 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	(S-4)	4.05 pm, 7.00 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Animal (H)	:	10.00 am, 2.10 pm
		5.50 pm, 9.30 pm
Kaiva (K)	:	10.30 am, 1.40 pm, 6.55 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	11.15 am, 6.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	1.05 pm, 9.25 pm
Marichi (K)	:	4.00 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	:	4.15 pm, 9.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

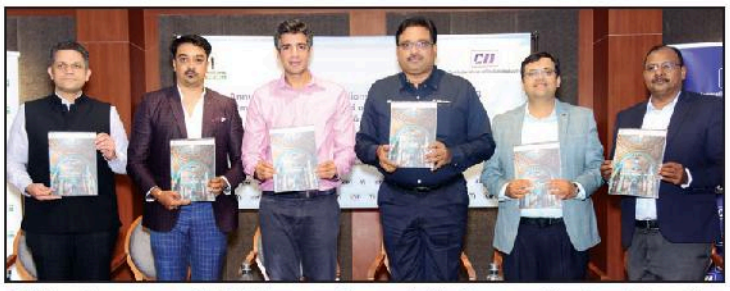
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	9.10 am, 12.30 pm, 6.30 pm
Animal (H)	:	9.15 am, 10.15 am, 10.50 am
		1.20 pm, 2.20 pm, 5.25 pm
		5.55 pm, 6.25 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	9.15 am, 12.30 pm, 3.45 pm, 7.00 pm
Wonka (E)	:	9.30 am, 3.50 pm, 9.15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.05 am
Kaiva (K)	:	12.10 pm
Conjuring Kannappan (Ta)	:	2.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	:	3.10 pm
Marichi (K)	:	6.25 pm
A Ranjith Cinema (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Animal (H)	:	9.30 am, 10.00 am, 1.35 pm
		2.05 pm, 5.40 pm, 6.10 pm
		9.45 pm, 10.15 pm
Wonka (E)	:	10.30 am, 7.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	11.25 am, 6.45 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	:	1.10 pm, 10.00 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	2.40 pm, 10.10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	:	4.25 pm

New office-bearers for Yi Mysuru; experts underline health, fitness

Mysuru, Dec.9 (BCT)- Young Indians (Yi), Mysuru Chapter, celebrated its annual session with the theme "Embracing Mysuru: A blend of innovation and progress (fitness and sports)" in city recently. The event aimed to emphasise their dedication to promoting holistic well-being, technological advancements and overall progress.



Office-bearers of Yi Mysuru** (from left) **Gagan Ranka, New Co-Chair, Yi Mysuru Chapter; Rahul SRS, New Chair, Yi Mysuru Chapter; Utsav Agarwal, Chair of Entrepreneurship and Mentor, Yi Mysuru Chapter; Eswara Rao, Vice-Chairman, CII Mysuru; Ankith Sonthalia, Chair, Yi Mysuru and Solomon Pushparaj.

Abdul Hannan Khan, Chair of Accessibility Yi Mysuru and Director M.K. Agrotech underlined the significance of a healthy diet in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. "Diet is crucial for a healthy lifestyle," he stated, highlighting the critical role nutrition plays in overall well-being.

Pragna Prasad, a distinguished sportswoman, provided valuable insights, stating, "There will always be important tasks besides maintaining health and fitness, but it's crucial to prioritise health, no matter what." Her words resonated with the audience, underscoring the importance of making personal health a priority.

Sudindar Bungale, Partner at Bharath Auto Spares and sports enthusiast, shared an inspiring perspective, saying, "Age is no bar when it comes to fitness; one should remain young at heart. I am the only Ironman from Mysuru above the age of 50 years; I guess that explains everything." His example showcased the limitless possibilities of staying fit and active at any age.

The highlight of the session was an insightful panel discussion moderated by M.M. Nikhilesh, Founder of Kalisu Foundation, who said, "Embracing sports and fitness should be an integral part of our life, and it's mandatory to balance it." The discussion delved into the importance of incorporating physical activities into our daily routines.

Outgoing Chair of Yi Mysuru Chapter, Ankith Sonthalia reflected on his tenure as the best memories. Rahul SRS, the incoming Chair thanked members and panellists. Utsav Agarwal, National Chair Entrepreneurship and Mentor Yi Mysuru and MSME Panel Co-Convenor, CII Mysuru highlighted the collective strength and determination of the Yi Mysuru community.

The Yi Mysuru Chapter's annual day saw participation of over 50 individuals, including Yi Members, CII Mysuru Members, and students. The session concluded with Eswara Rao, Vice-Chairman, CII Mysuru, releasing the Yi Mysuru Chapter Annual Report 2023. Eswara Rao emphasised the commitment of both CII Mysuru and Yi Mysuru.

Yi Mysuru Chapter members with session speakers, CII members and CII Secretariat.

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Animal (H)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 2.20 pm
		6.25 pm, 10.15 pm
	(S-2)	9.30 am, 1.35 pm
		5.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Kaiva (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-4)	10.20 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Wonka (E)	(S-3)	7.35 pm; (S-4) 1.25 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 am, 4.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Extra (Ordinary Man) (Te)	(S-4)	10.05 am, 7.00 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Animal (H)	:	9.15 am, 10.00 am, 1.20 pm, 2.05 pm
		5.25 pm, 6.10 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.15 pm
Wonka (E)	:	10.05 am, 4.35 pm
Extra Ordinary Man (Te)	:	10.25 am, 3.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Hi Nanna (Te)	:	12.40 pm, 7.15 pm
Marichi (K)	:	1.45 pm
Kaiva (K)	:	7.10 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello - B (K)	:	10.10 pm

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